

Troopers Arrest Man after Threat Made Against Governor



Roger M. Matthews

Middletown- The Delaware State Police have arrested a Warwick, MD man and have charged him in connection with the on-line social media posting of a threat against the Governor of Delaware.

The initial investigation began on Sunday, November 6, 2016, at approximately 6:15 p.m., after troopers were called to respond to a residence located in the 300 block of Pheasant Drive, Middletown. Upon their arrival the troopers were

advised by a female resident of the home, that she, as well as the Governor of Delaware, Jack Markell, had been threatened via a Facebook post by a male subject she identified as Roger M. Matthews, 51. The female victim advised that Matthews is a relative of one of her family members. Troopers then reviewed the post which in fact did contain threats against Governor Markell.

Earlier today, Tuesday, November 8th, Troopers were able to take Roger Matthews into custody without incident. He was then transported to Troop 2 where he was subsequently charged with Threatening the Life of a Public Official. He was arraigned at JP Court 11 and committed to the Howard R. Young Correctional Institution in default of \$4000.00 cash bond.

Due to the sensitive nature of this incident, specific details will not be released.

If anyone has any information in reference to this incident they are asked to contact Detective William Harris at 302-365-8428. Information may also be provided by calling [Delaware Crime Stoppers](#) at 1-800-TIP-3333, via the internet at www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com, or by sending an anonymous tip by text to 274637 (CRIMES) using the keyword "DSP."

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